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SUBJ: NEW ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO

1. MOSTEFA LACHERAF, WHO WAS APPOINTED ALGERIA'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO OCTOBER 7, DEPARTED FOR HIS NEW POST NOVEMBER 5. IN AIRPORT DEPARTURE STATEMENT HE SAID HIS OBJECTIVE WOULD BE TO STRENGTHEN BOTH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN ALGERIA AND MEXICO. WE HAVE REMARKED, HE SAID, THAT SINCE THE NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT, GOM HAS TAKEN CLEARER AND MORE POSITIVE POSITION TOWARD THIRD WORLD QUESTIONS.

2. LACHERAF, WHOSE LATEST POSITIONS HAVE BEEN CULTURAL ADVISOR TO ALGERIAN PRESIDENCY AND CONCURRENTLY MEMBER OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AGRARIAN REFORM, IS REGARDED AS ONE OF REGIME'S PRINCIPAL HOUSE INTELLECTUALS. HISTORIAN, TEACHER AND WRITER, HE HAS AUTHORED NUMEROUS STUDIES AND ARTICLES ON ALGERIAN CULTURE AND ARAB LITERATURE. HIS "ALGERIE: NATION ET SOCIETE" PUBLISHED IN 1965 BY MASPERO, ATTEMPTED TO REINTERPRET ALGERIAN HISTORY WITHOUT FRENCH COLONIAL BIAS. AN EARLY MEMBER OF ALGERIAN NATIONALIST MOVEMENT, HE SPEND FIVE YEARS IN FRENCH PRISON DURING REVOLUTION AND PARTICIPATED IN EVIAN NEGOTIATIONS. HIS PREVIOUS DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCE

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HAS BEEN AS ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR TO ARGENTINA (1966-

ABOUT 1971). LACHERAF WAS BORN 7 MARCH 1917 IN SIDI
AISSA. HE LIVED AND TAUGHT FOR FIFTEEN YEARS IN
FRANCE BEFORE ALGERIAN INDEPENDENCE.PARKER

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